

3. The control element according to claim 1, wherein the vehicle further comprises a steering wheel, the steering wheel comprising the stimulating means arranged to stimulate a sense of touch to at least one hand in contact with the steering wheel.

4. The control element according to claim 1, wherein the stimulating means further comprise a sensor function arranged to convert a haptic effect or an exerted pressure into electronically processed signals.

5. The control element according to claim 1, wherein the stimulating means further comprises a matrix-like arrangement of moveable needles mounted in electronic coils, said moveable needles arranged so as to spring on an underside and actuated in rows and columns.

6. The control element according to claim 1, wherein the stimulating means further comprises a matrix-like arrangement of laterally tiltable needles which are actuated in rows and columns.

7. The control element according to claim 1, wherein the stimulating means further comprises a motor-operated, rotating eccentric arranged to generate a stimulation impression of a vibration.

8. The control element according to claim 1, wherein the stimulating means comprise a matrix-like arrangement of electrodes which are actuated in rows and columns and to which different electrical potentials are applied.

9. The control element according to claim 1, further comprising at least one actuation signal generating means coupled to the stimulating means so as to provide the actuation signal to the stimulating means, the generating means comprising a sensor comprising at least one of

distance radar for detecting distance from vehicles traveling ahead or behind,

distance radar for detecting distance from an edge of a roadway,

load change detector,

frost sensor, and

biometric sensor for monitoring a driver.

10. The control element according to claim 1, further comprising an electronic circuit unit provided for determining an individual stimulation threshold of a driver and adapting thereto a level of effectiveness of the stimulating means.

11. The control element according to claim 2, wherein the vehicle further comprises a steering wheel, the steering

wheel comprising stimulating means arranged to stimulate a sense of touch to at least one hand in contact with the steering wheel.

12. The control element according to claim 3, wherein the stimulating means further comprise a sensor function arranged to convert a haptic effect or an exerted pressure into electronically processed signals.

13. The control element according to claim 4, wherein the stimulating means further comprises a matrix-like arrangement of moveable needles mounted in electronic coils, said moveable needles arranged so as to spring on an underside and actuated in rows and columns.

14. The control element according to claim 4, wherein the stimulating means further comprises a matrix-like arrangement of laterally tiltable needles which are actuated in rows and columns.

15. The control element according to claim 4, wherein the stimulating means further comprises a motor-operated, rotating eccentric arranged to generate a stimulation impression of a vibration.

16. The control element according to claim 4, wherein the stimulating means comprise a matrix-like arrangement of electrodes which actuated in rows and columns and to which different electrical potentials are applied.

17. The control element according to claim 8, further comprising at least one actuation signal generating means coupled to the stimulating means so as to provide the actuation signal to the stimulating means, the generating means comprising a sensor comprising at least one of

distance radar for detecting distance from vehicles traveling ahead or behind,

distance radar for detecting distance from an edge of a roadway,

load change detector,

frost sensor, and

biometric sensor for monitoring a driver.

18. The control element according to claim 8, further comprising an electronic circuit unit provided for determining an individual stimulation threshold of a driver and adapting thereto a level of effectiveness of the stimulating means.

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